

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

**Claim 1-7 (Canceled)**

**Claim 8 (New):** A system for providing character contents in the form of images, comprising:

(a) a contents providing system connected to a client terminal through a network such that they can be communicate with each other;

(b) storage means disposed in a server of the contents providing system for storing character contents as character data;

(c) search means provided at the server for searching the storage means when there is a request for retrieval of character contents from the client terminal to read the requested character contents;

(d) conversion means provided at the server for dynamically converting the read character contents from character data to image data; and

(e) contents information transmission means provided at the server for transmitting the image data as a result of the conversion of the character contents to the client terminal,

wherein the character data includes at least an index of the contents and the character data

is converted to image data when it is determined that the character data must be protected,

wherein a determination is made on each part of the character contents read from the storage means to see whether it needs to be converted into image data and wherein only character data which must be converted are converted into image data,

wherein the client terminal and the server of the contents providing system are connected to the internet; a front server and a back server connected to the internet are provided in the server; and a database as the storage means is provided in the back server,

wherein the search means and conversion means are provided in the front server.